Dorchester's 350th Anniversary

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DORCHESTER AND YOU

The Dorchester for which this commemorative calendar is published is no longer just another town by the same name; it is a community which during last October was the focal point around the world — twice in the same month. As this sector of Boston was gliding into this 350th anniversary celebration, people from every country on the globe came to know Dorchester, Massachusetts, in the City of Boston, was visited by Pope John Paul II, the Supreme Pontiff of the Holy Roman Catholic Church, and by Jimmy Carter, President of the United States.

In every corner of the world, during that same month, people also learned that in Dorchester, Massachusetts, there was dedicated a monumental library honoring the late beloved President John F. Kennedy. During the planning stages for this waterfront edifice, it was the members of the John F. Kennedy Corporation and those of the Dorchester United Neighborhood Associations who sat together in the First Parish Church in Dorchester (pictured within the anniversary emblem) to discuss the future building of this library.

The people of Dorchester knew too, there were other — less competing — events in October, 1979, signalling the potential growth of this community. The Little House Health Center cut a ribbon dedicating a new facility to service the residents of the Columbia-Savin Hill area. Another important local event was the "preview opening" of the new Strand, known as the M. Harriet McCormack Center for the Arts.

These events, like the others, serve as daily reminders to all Dorchester residents, the future has great potential for the dreamers who have the energies and courage to bring to life the reality of the impossible. These realities provide the momentum and hope to achieve even further greatness in the years which will follow after the 350th anniversary celebration.

Dorchester residents have much for which to be grateful, to appreciate and to build upon. Dorchester is truly unique. To those of you for whom this anniversary calendar has been distributed, we offer these additional thoughts:

Dorchester is your home. Love it! Protect it! Improve it! Preserve it! Strengthen it! Work together with your neighbor — whatever creed, race or origin — and your neighborhood association. Share the burden of the work to be done. Become involved, take responsibility, and be proud to share in whatever future evolves when 1980 has passed and Dorchester has celebrated its 350th birthday. Someone once remarked, "The future belongs to those who prepare for it today." However, let us during this anniversary consider preparing for our future for those children who will follow in our paths tomorrow.

Yes, Dorchester is unique, and what makes it so? You!

The Anniversary Calendar Committee

The Dorchester 350 symbol was designed in September, 1977, by Donald Souliere.

Happy Birthday Dorchester

by Stephen J. Allen

Who will hail the patriot defending our turf?
Who will fight strangers speaking of us in mirth?
Who will defend the honor of our town?
Who will prevent it from being pulled down?

We are many who believe our town worth saving;
Just as many would die to keep our nation's flag waving.
We're proud of this "Plantation" we call our home,
We are the die-hards who refuse to roam.

Dorchester is different, it is not the same
As any other town which bears our name.
We are more sensitive to the causes of others,
Yet prejudices keep us from being sisters and brothers.

We boast of our past, and speak of the deeds
Accomplished by town leaders to meet our needs.
We often live in the past but our future is bright,
We have spirit and direction to make things right.

We needed 350 years to appreciate our true worth.
Now, in 1980, we shall celebrate our "birth."
We'll make it widely known we love this sod,
Where all the townspeople are blessed by God.

May these efforts increase the people's pride,
Raise their spirits, and widen their stride.
We will do it! We will! We will achieve our goals
For each of us realizes the importance of our roles.

We who have served will long remember this trail,
and are confident that victory will prevail.
Even if on one cupcake a single candle is aflame,
We will have succeeded in celebrating Dorchester's name.

A name in America which is 350 years older,
Representing people who are a little bit bolder.
Yes, we love our town and we loudly acclaim,
"We're from Dorchester, and proud of the name."

JANUARY CHRONOLOGY

1 Midnight services outdoors before completion of 6th meeting house of First Parish Church in Dorchester (Brrr!), 1897.*

2 James Baker, Founder of "Baker's Chocolates," died, 1825.

4 Annexation of Dorchester, 1870

6 Fort ordered built upon Savin Hill Rock, 1633.

7 Jones Hill and DLM Civic Association meetings.

8 Deacon Edward Clap died, 1664.

10 Raymond W. Bolger, actor, dancer, born, 1904.

11 Mose Allison (Jazz) at McCormack Center for the Arts (Strand).

13 JAYCEE WEEK begins. Les Grands Ballets Canadien at Strand.

14 First school committee appointed 1645. Charles Baker Adams, Naturalist, born, 1814; died, 1858.

15 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

16 First Dorchester Record Book began 1632. Contains record of Plantation until 1720. First Swedish Baptist Church of Boston (Calvary Baptist Church) organized on Shawmut Avenue.

17 Dorchester United Neighborhood Associations meeting (DUNA).

18 Dorchester Branch of Boston Public Library opens as 6th branch (now Fields Corner Library).

19 Town meeting voted to "take prudent measures to encourage the produce and manufacturers of this province."

20 Child Nutrition Week

22 DLM VFW Memorial Post incorporated in 1951.

23 Pope's Hill Neighborhood Association meeting.

25 Fields Corner Library completed, 1875.

26 Town voted to approve Articles of Confederation and perpetual union between USA and our representatives be instructed accordingly. Herb Pomeroy Band at Strand tonight.

27 Dorchester Historical Society founded. The Hon. Edmund P. Tileston elected first president of Dorchester Antiquarian and Historical Society, 1843.

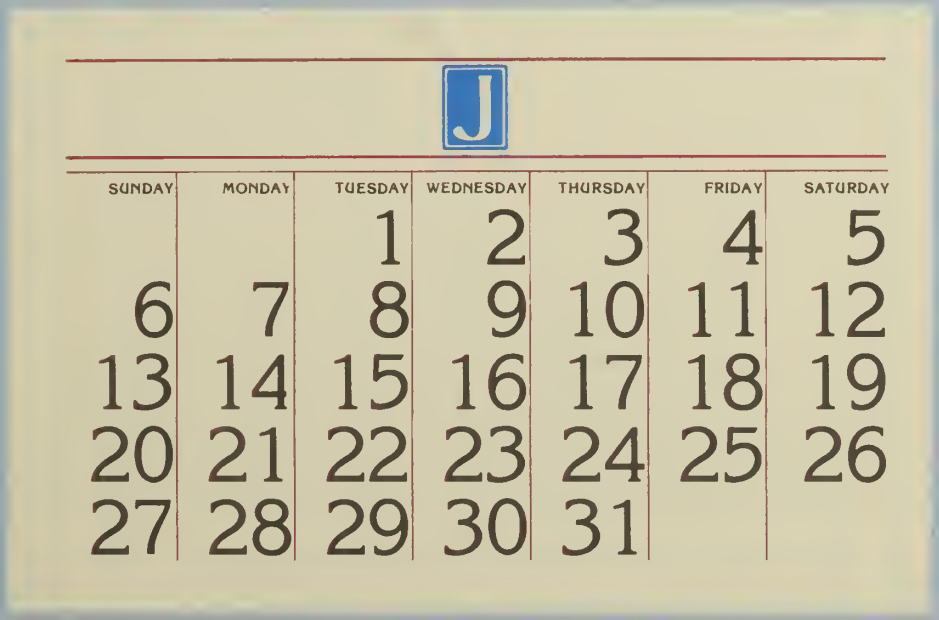
28 Melville Park Neighborhood Assn. and Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meetings.

30 William Sumner, paper manufacturer, and owner of Sumner Mill, died, 1836.

31 Dorchester House Multi-Service Center founded in 1887, moved to Dorchester Avenue, 1942.

NOTES:

*Dorchester 350, Inc. sponsors New Year's Eve Party tonight at Boston Teachers Union Hall. First baby born to Dorchester resident at St. Margaret's Hospital for Women to be honored January 1st.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FEBRUARY CHRONOLOGY

1 Champlain School established as elementary school 1925; as a middle school in September, 1975. Frankfort Symphony Orchestra at Strand today.

2 Roger Clap, died, 1690. Col. Walter Baker moderated meeting to petition to build a railroad from Boston to Quincy through Dorchester, 1942. Ground Hog Day.

4 George L. Pumphret of Dorchester named Trustee of UMASS/Boston, 1960; DLM Civic and Jones Hill Civic Associations meetings.

5 Town minutes record "most severe snowstorm of the season," 1809.

6 Christopher Gibson Will to Dorchester Schools is appropriated to supply them with library books, apparatus not supplied by Boston, 1693. Town records reveal "Snow in drifts of 25 ft. deep in woods," 1717; Simon Sawtelle of Dorchester named Trustee of UMASS/Boston, 1978.

8 Opera "Madame Butterfly" at Strand.

9 "Evening of Standards" Jazz at Strand.

10 Part of "Squantum and the Farms" annexed to Quincy, 1814.

12 Abraham Lincoln's birthday.

14 Valentine's Day. Dorchester 350 dinner-dance.

15 Spanish War Memorial Day; USS "Maine" Memorial Day.

18 George Washington's birthday celebrated.

20 Ash Wednesday.

21 Bounds between Dorchester and Quincy established; Avon incorporated from Stoughton; DUNA meeting.

22 Dorchester, Canada incorporates as Ashburnham, 1765; Iceboat racing inaugurated. Hundreds of sleighs and thousands of skaters cross from South Boston to Squantum, 1795; Dorchester Arts Council incorporated, 1978.

23 Canton incorporated from Stoughton, 1797. First meeting of Chickatawbut Club of Dorchester held at Boston Tavern, 1889.

24 Opening and dedication of Codman Club Building on Adams Street, 1893.

25 Sharon new name of Stoughtonham, 1783.

27 Pope's Hill Neighborhood Association meeting.

28 KALEVALA DAY. Meeting House Hill, Clampoint Civic Associations meetings.

29 Strand presents Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra tonight.

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MARCH CHRONOLOGY

1 John P. McKeon Post AMVETS established at 722 Adams Street, 1954.

2 Israel Stoughton granted leave of Dorchester to build a water mill, 1633. DLM Civic and Jones Hill Civic Associations meetings.

4 Thompson Island granted to Dorchester 1635. King Charles I granted charter which led to Dorchester settlement (Mass. Bay Colony) 1629. General Washington took possession of Dorchester Heights, 1776.

5 Boston Massacre, 1776. Most Rev. Humberto Medeiros elevated to Cardinal, 1973.

6 Dorchester Neck and Point annexed to Boston 1804 and becomes South Boston. BPL establishes reading room in Codman Square Branch, 1904.

7 "It was ordered that a fortification be erected upon Castle Island," 1643.

8 Greenwood Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, 380 Washington Street organized in 1869. Samuel Downer, manufacturer, born, 1807; died, September 20, 1881.

10 Dorchester's able-bodied men organized to become part of Minutemen, 1775.

11 The Village Church, corner of River and Temple Streets, Lower Mills, organized, 1829.

14 Castle Island appointed place of confinement for thieves and captives to hard labor, 1785.

16 EMPLOY THE OLDER WORKER WEEK.

17 Dorchester 350 to participate in St. Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston.

20 Dorchester settlers board the Mary and John for journey to New World, 1630; 140 persons on board. DUNA meeting.

21 St. Paul Chamber Orchestra at Strand.

22 Charlie Byrd presents Jazz performance at Strand tonight.

23 Parish of All Saints Church established, 1874. Rev. George S. Bennett elected first rector of vestry.

25 Thompson's Island set off and annexed to Boston, 1834. Alwin Nikolais Dance Company at Strand tonight.

26 PHNA meeting at Murphy School.

27 Italian-American War Veterans International Founding Day. Meeting House Hill and Clampoint meet tonight.

28 Boundries established between Dorchester and Boston, 1636. National Chorale at McCormack Center (Strand).

29 Duke Ellington's Band at McCormack Center (Strand) tonight.

30 Palm Sunday. 350th anniversary of First Parish Church in Dorchester. Community residents invited to 5 p.m. celebration at FPC Hall.

31 Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meeting; Melville Park Association meeting.

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APRIL CHRONOLOGY

1 **PASSOVER.** Outbreak of smallpox 1690 continued until July, 1691, claiming the lives of 57 settlers.

2 McKeon Post No. 146 AMVETS open quarters at 4 Hill Top Street with memorial breakfast jointly with St. Brendan's Holy Name Society, 1961.

4 **GOOD FRIDAY.**

5 Cornerstone laid on St. Mary's Episcopal Church by Bishop Martin Eastburn, D.D., 1849. DLM Memorial Post VFW breaks ground for construction, 1959.

6 **EASTER.** Legislative act incorporates Dorchester Historical Society, 1891. Rev. Richard Mather died. Veterans World War I Hospital Day.

7 St. Gregory's Church, oldest Roman Catholic Church in Dorchester, dedicated, 1864. DLM, Columbia-Savin Hill, Jones Hill Civic meetings.

9 **BATAAN-CORRIGIDOR DAY**

10 William H. Whitmore elected president Dorchester Historical Society, 1893. DHS incorporates in Blake's Hall, Fields Corner. Fields Corner Library dedicated, 1970. New Codman Square Library opens, 1978.

11 Edward Everett born corner of Boston and Ponds Streets at the "five corners," 1794, died, January 15, 1865. Catherine Forbes Clark of Dorchester named Trustee of UMASS/Boston, 1974. Bandleader Harry James and Orchestra at Strand tonight.

12 Charles Follen Adams, born, 1842, died, March 8, 1918. Dorchester 350 Legislator's dinner dance tonight.

13 St. Leo's Church dedicated, 1902.

15 John Lathrop Motley, historian, born, 1814; died, May 29, 1877.

17 DUNA delegates meeting at FPC.

18 Gregg Smith Singers (Chorale) at McCormack Center (Strand) tonight

19 **PATRIOT'S DAY** — Marathon.

20 **NATIONAL SECRETARIES WEEK.** Thomas Clap, son of Richard, born, 1684.

21 St. Christopher's Church dedicated, 1957.

22 Rev. Mr. Richard Mather died, 1669.

23 **SECRETARY'S DAY.** Joffrey II (Dance) at Strand. PHNA meeting at Murphy School.

24 Dorchester's Anti-Slavery Society organized with Dr. Samuel M. Wilken as president. American Martyr's Day. Benjamin V. Drohan, vaudevillian, composer of "Southie Is My Home Town," died in Dorchester, 1972. Meeting House Hill and Clampoint Civic Associations meetings.

25 **ARBOR DAY.** Ground-breaking for Catherine Forbes Clark Physical Education Center at UMASS/Boston, 1978. Parish of All Saints Church chartered, 1875.

26 Calvary Baptist Church, groundbroken in 1935, dedicated in 1936.

28 **EARTH DAY.** Melville Park and Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meetings.

29 Samuel Turell Armstrong, Mass. Whig and politician, born, 1784, died, March 26, 1850.

30 James Blake, author of "Annals" born in 1688.

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Dorchester 350 Junior Olympics to be opened this month to Dorchester students. Donations may be made to Junior Olympic Dorchester 350, c/o 4 Minot Street, Dorchester 02122. All donations acknowledged for tax deductible purposes

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MAY CHRONOLOGY

1 **LOYALTY DAY.** St. Matthew's Church dedicated, 1900.

2 La Boheme at Strand tonight.

3 **POLISH CONSTITUTION DAY**

4 **HORACE MANN DAY.** Massachusetts Art Week. National Hospital Week.

6 Author Theodore White born, 1915. First chapel of the First Church dedicated at Washington Street, DLM, 1818; dedication of 6th meeting house—First Parish Church in Dorchester, 1897. Pilgrim Trinitarian Congregational Church began work as nondenominational body, 1867.

7 Elder Samuel Topliff of Bowdoin Street born, 1646. Part of Dorchester established as Milton, 1662.

9 Tommy Dorsey Orchestra at Strand.

10 Suffolk County incorporated, 1643.

11 **MOTHER'S DAY.** Police Officer's Week.

13 Christ Church of Dorchester organized, 1852.

15 Reuben Gold Thwaites, journalist, editor, librarian born; died, Oct. 22, 1913.

17 Bounds between Dorchester and Dedham set, 1638. Mass. National Guard Week. Armed Forces Day.

18 American Indian Heritage Week.

19 **VICTORIA DAY (Canada).** Henry L. Pierce School dedicated, 1892.

20 Law provided for first public school in America supported by direct tax, 1639. George Phillips Bond, astronomer, born; died Feb. 17, 1865.

21 **MASSASOIT DAY.**

22 **MARITIME DAY.**

23 Ulysses S. Grant, a descendant of Mary and John passenger, rejects invitation to attend 250th anniversary of the founding of the First Parish Church in Dorchester, 1880. Town Resolution, 1776: "If the Continental Congress think it best to declare independence with Great Britain, we will support them with our lives and fortunes."

24 Dizzy Gillespie (Jazz) at Strand tonight.

28 PHNA meeting Murphy School.

30 **SAVE THE STRAND DAY — 1973.** Mary and John arrives at Nantasket Point, 1630. Townspeople voted salary for Rev. Thomas Waterhouse, first school master, 1639. OPSAIL — "Tall Ships" arrive in Boston Harbor. SENIOR CITIZEN'S MONTH. Dorchester 350 to participate in AVON Memorial Services-Parade.

31 **LANDING DAY OBSERVANCES AT SAVIN HILL BEACH.** Official opening of Dorchester Day Celebrations. OPSAIL races in Charles River; cadets in Dorchester Bay. Cadets sponsored to local dances.

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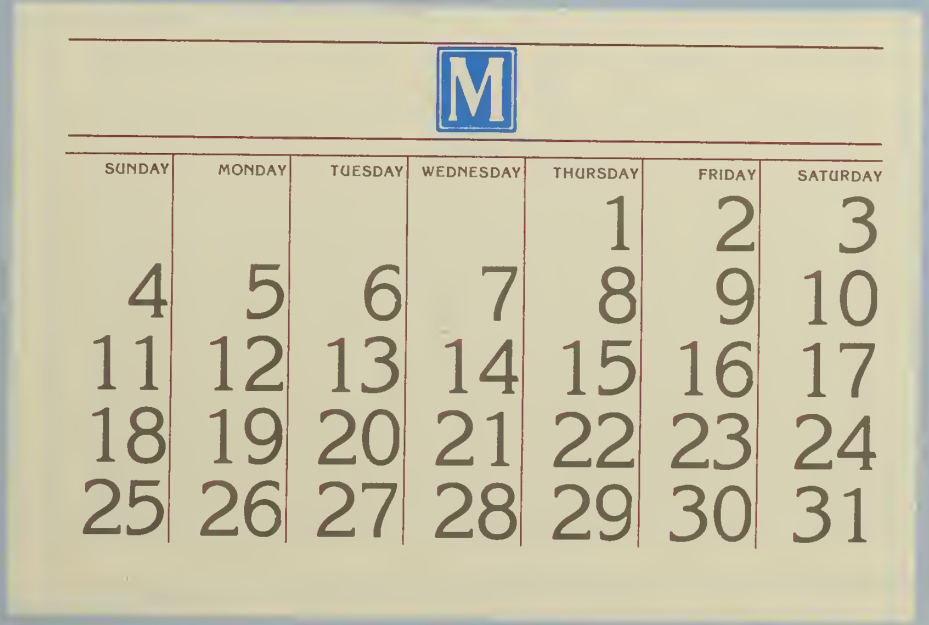
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JUNE CHRONOLOGY

1 **DORCHESTER DAY PARADE.** 1 p.m. starting at Dorchester Lower Mills co-sponsored by the Dorchester Allied Veterans and Office of the Mayor. Teacher's Day Edward Dyer Peters, mining engineer, born; died. Feb. 17, 1892.

2 Squantum Neck and Mennans Moone annexed, 1641.

4 Dorchester annexed to Boston, 1869. Town voted to move meeting house intact to "The Rocky Hill by the School House." 1670. Tall Ships depart Boston on transcontinental race.

6 **DORCHESTER SETTLED — 1630.**

7 First Baptist Society in Dorchester constituted in Newport Hall, 1837.

8 **CHILDREN'S DAY.** Fire Fighter's Memorial Sunday.

9 Carney Hospital opens doors in Dorchester relocating from South Boston, 1953

10 Foxborough incorporated from four towns, 1778.

11 Carney Hospital dedicated first hospital rooftop helistop in Commonwealth, 1974.

12 Groundbreaking ceremonies held at UMASS/Boston for J. F. Kennedy Library, 1977.

13 Ballet Hispanico at Strand tonight.

14 **FLAG DAY. DISPLAY "OLD GLORY."** St. Mary's Episcopal Church admitted into union with Diocesan Convention, 1948. BPL Lower Mills Branch opens as a delivery station, 1875 Henry Jos. Gardner, Gov. of Mass., 1855-1858, born; died, July 21, 1892.

15 **FATHER'S DAY.** Edward Channing, American historian, born 1856, died January 7, 1931.

17 **BUNKER HILL DAY.** Rev. John Pierce delivered speech at Dorchester 250th anniversary, 1830.

19 Dorchester Center Community Branch of YMCA organized, 1919. DUNA meeting.

22 **JOHN CARVER DAY.** Mather School established 1639 as first free public school in America. Mattapan Branch Library opens, 1931

25 First Dorchester Day celebrated, 1904. PHNA meeting at Murphy School

26 St. Ann's Church, Neponset, dedicated, 1889 Meeting House Hill-Clampoint Civic Associations meetings.

30 **DORCHESTER 350,** Inc. Annual Meeting at First Parish Church in Dorchester. Melville Park Association meeting

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JULY CHRONOLOGY

1 DOMINION DAY (Canada).

2 Pilgrim Trinitarian Congregation Church reorganized 1867 as Congregational Church.

4 INDEPENDENCE DAY.

6 First occasion of Common Prayer Book publicly used in Dorchester at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1843. Speaker John McCormack authorized Strand be named for his wife, M. Harriet McCormack Center for the Arts, 1972.

7 William Stoughton died, 1837.

9 DLM Memorial Post VFW dedicates building, 1961

12 First Baptist Church, Ashmont and Adams Streets, holds first services, 1835. Parkman Street Methodist Episcopal Church organized, 1874.

16 Pope's Hill Neighborhood Association Annual Lawn Party at 152 Neponset Ave.

19 First legal meeting honoring John Codman at Codman Club, 1892.

21 John White died, 1648. Helped organize First Church in Dorchester.

22 Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, mother of President John Kennedy born in Dorchester, 1890.

25 Dorchester Medical Club established, 1866 with eleven physicians.

26 Hon. Guy Ham, Boston's Mayor, signs bill designating Savin Hill as a park, 1907. (Records show bill also signed by Mayor John F. Fitzgerald.)

27 Bishop Phillips Brooks confirmed in St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1875.

28 Melville Park Association and Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meetings

31 St. Paul's Presbyterian Church organized, 1911. Clam Point Civic Association Meeting.

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Citizen Band Reunion Month to be announced.

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AUGUST CHRONOLOGY

1 Land belonging to Dorchester annexed to Lunenburg, 1728.

4 JAMAICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY.
George Minot born; signer of Church covenant at Dorchester, selectman in 1636.

7 PURPLE HEART DAY.
First public act in relation to temperance occurred in Dorchester, 1632.

14 Sons of Liberty dined at Liberty Tree Tavern (Robinson's Tavern), 1769, led by John Hancock riding in chariot

15 ASSUMPTION DAY.

16 Rev. Mr. Richard Mather arrives in Dorchester, 1635.

23 St. Mary's Parish legally organized in 1847.

24 Adams Street Branch of BPL opens, 1951.

25 Melville Park Association and Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meetings.

26 SUSAN B. ANTHONY DAY.

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SEPTEMBER CHRONOLOGY

1 LABOR DAY.

2 Hopestill Clap died, 1719.

5 St. Kevin's Church dedicated, 1945.

6 Wm. Henry Whitmore born, 1836, supervised Boston Local Records, died, June 14, 1900.

7 Colonial authorities order "Trimountain" be called Boston, Mattapan, Dorchester, 1630, and town upon the Charles, Watertown.

8 Clarence Chatham Cook born, 1828, art critic, died, June 2, 1900.

9 St. Brendan's Church dedicated, 1929 John Foster, opened first printing office in Boston, school teacher, died, 1681.

10 Dorchester 350 organization's third anniversary.

11 Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah).

13 Commodore John Barry Day. William T. Clapp died, 1818.

15 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, first American saint in Roman Catholic Church, canonized, 1975.

16 Abraham Lincoln addresses a Dorchester audience at Washington and Richmond Streets, 1848.

17 CONSTITUTION DAY. The Soldier's Monument at Meeting House Hill dedicated, 1867.

18 Dorchester 350 anniversary banquet.

20 Dorchester 350 Ad Hoc Committee elects officers at Carney Hospital, files for incorporation, 1977.

21 YOM KIPPUR.

23 STATE PRIMARY DAY.

24 PHNA meeting at Murphy School.

25 St. Mark's Post No. 1758 VFW established 1945, Francis A. McGuire first post commander, died, August, 1964; Meeting House Hill Civic Association meeting.

27 NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING DAY.

29 ST. MICHAEL'S DAY. Melville Park Neighborhood Association and Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meetings.

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OCTOBER CHRONOLOGY

1 First anniversary of Pope John Paul II's visit to Dorchester — first Papal visit. St. Peter's Church, dedicated in 1872 this date; loaned chair for Papal Mass in Boston Common. Mt. Bowdoin Branch Library opens, 1929.

3 Charles Goron Ames, born, 1828, Baptist and Unitarian clergyman, died, April 15, 1912.

5 Employ the Handicapped Week.

7 Respect for Life Week.

8 First special town government in New England organized in 1633; appointment of selectmen at town meeting. Elijah Danford, M.D., son of Rev. John Danforth, died, 1736

11 CASIMIR PULASKI DAY.

12 GRANDPARENTS-SENIOR CITIZEN DAY.

13 THANKSGIVING (Canada). Boston voted that military watch — to prevent Indians coming by canoes — be posted through Dorchester (1675).

15 WHITE CANE DAY.

16 John Codman, sea captain, born, 1814; died, April 6, 1900.

17 Frederick Childe Hassam, born, 1859, impressionist painter, died, August 27, 1935.

18 Reenactment of First Town Meeting in America tonight in First Parish Church in Dorchester sponsored by Dorchester 350. Mrs. Lucy Stone, first advocate of women's rights, died, 1893.

19 Annual High School Information Day at B.C High sponsored by PHNA today.

20 Elisha Clap, Esq., died, 1830. First anniversary of J.F. Kennedy Library dedication. President Jimmy Carter visits Dorchester for ceremony

22 PHNA meeting at Murphy School.

24 UNITED NATIONS DAY. Kit Clark Senior House relocates on Dorchester Avenue, 1979.

25 STATE CONSTITUTION DAY. 200th anniversary.

26 American Education Week.

27 Melville Park Association and Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meetings.

28 Margaret McCarthy Drohan (stage name Marty Dupree), wife of songwriter and comedian, died at Bailey Street residence, 1972

30 Second Meeting House dedicated, 1806. Second Church in Codman Square. Edward Payson Ripley, born, 1845, railroad executive, died, February 4, 1920.

31 YOUTH HONOR DAY. HALLOWEEN. Town authorized Col. John Robinson to fight repeal of Stamp Act, 1765.

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NOVEMBER CHRONOLOGY

1 **ALL SAINTS DAY.** Mt. Bowdoin Branch Library delivery station opens, 1886.

2 **ALL SOULS DAY.**

3 DLM, Columbia-Savin Hill, Jones Hill Civic Associations meetings.

4 **ELECTION DAY** — Exercise your right!

6 First meeting of Dorchester Symphony Society held by Conductor Charles McLoughlin in Winthrop Hall, 1897.

8 **DUNA 20th ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE.**

9 Parish of All Saints Church breaks ground, 1892.

10 **U.S. MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY.**

11 **VETERANS DAY.** Strand Theatre opens 1918; celebrates 60th anniversary with open house, 1978; now known as M. Harriet McCormack Center for the Arts.

12 1,000 acres granted Dorchester, 1659. Thaddeus William Hams, entomologist, born, 1795, died, January 16, 1856.

14 Opening of Senior House (renamed Kit Clark Senior House) adult day care, one of the first of its kind in U.S. (1977). Charles Hill Grandgent, born, 1862; died, September 11, 1939.

20 DUNA meeting at First Parish Church.

22 President John F. Kennedy assassinated, 1963. Dorchester Committee meets at Faneuil Hall to discuss tea ships in Boston Harbor, 1773.

23 Edward Bass, first Episcopalian Bishop of Massachusetts, born, 1726, died, September 10, 1803. First anniversary of opening of M. Harriet McCormack Center for the Arts.

24 Kennedy family named UMASS/Boston site of Memorial Library, 1975. Melville Park and Dorchester 350 Board of Directors meetings. Count Basie's orchestra performs at the Strand, 1979.

26 Commander Edward P. Horne musters Lower Mills VFW Post No. 8699, elects officers. St. Margaret's Church dedicated, 1893.

27 **THANKSGIVING DAY.** Anna D. Coye elected first president of Auxiliary DLM VFW Post, 1947.

30 **JOHN F. KENNEDY DAY.** R. J. Clap confessed to robbing Northampton Bank of $2,000,000 as part of trio, 1900.

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DECEMBER CHRONOLOGY

3 **HANUKKAH.** Carney Hospital, first Catholic Hospital in New England, opens doors, 1863 in South Boston. PHNA meeting Murphy School.

7 **PEARL HARBOR DAY. DAV HOSPITAL DAY.** Dorchester 350, Inc. incorporated, 1977.

8 Civil Rights Week. Fields Corner Branch Library opens on Dorchester Avenue, Park Street. Immaculate Conception Feast Day.

13 **ARMY AND NAVY UNION DAY.** Scandinavian Christmas begins.

14 **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CHORALE** at First Parish Church in Dorchester. St. Mark's Church dedicated, 1905.

20 Pilgrims land at Plymouth, 1620.

22 Part of Dorchester established as Stoughton, 1726.

23 Rev. John Codman, D.D., died, 1847.

25 **CHRISTMAS DAY.** Birth of John White, organizer of First Parish Church in Dorchester, 1575.

27 Parish of All Saints Church holds first services in unfinished church in 1893.

28 Last town meetng of Dorchester as town becomes part of Boston.

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